

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE

TOWN OF CAMPTON.

COMPRISING THOSE OF THE

Treasurer, Selectmen, Overseer of the Poor,
School Committee, etc., etc.,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1882.

PLYMOUTH, N. H.
C. H. KIMBALL, WATER MOTOR JOB PRINT.
1882.

GRAFTON COUNTY
CLOTHING STORE

ONE PRICE TO ALL.

We have a large assortment of

Men's, Boys' and Youths' Clothing,

And are constantly receiving New Goods that we
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The Lowest Cash Price!

Embracing all the

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A good assortment of

EXTRA SIZE SUITS FOR THE LARGE MEN.

ALSO, LATEST STYLES IN HATS AND CAPS,

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 Please call and examine our goods and prices.

J. A. & C. O. CROSS,

Crawford Building, {
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PLYMOUTH, N. H.

FOWLER & WYATT, Town Hall Drug Store,

PLYMOUTH, N. H.

Dealers in

Drugs, Medicines, Chemicals, Fan-
 * cy and Toilet Articles, Sponges; Brushes,
 * Perfumery, Stationery and Fancy Box Pa-
 * pers, Soaps, Face Powders, Razors and
 * Razor Strops, Knives, Scissors, Pock-
 * et Books, &c., &c. Choice Brands
 * of Cigars and Tobacco, including
 * the favorite FINZER. Genuine
 * Meerschaum and Sweet Brier
 * Pipes, Amber Mouth
 * Pieces, &c., &c. 




PURE Home-Made Candies Always Fresh.

ALSO, A FULL LINE OF

FISHING TACKLE!

Consisting in part of Jointed Trout Rods, Fly Rods,
 Long Bamboo Poles, Reels, Lines, Hooks, &c.

All of which we shall offer for sale at
*low prices and guarantee the
 best quality.*

 A few words to owners of horses, cattle, sheep and hogs.
 We claim to have one of the BEST CONDITION POWDERS ever
 offered to the public, put up in pound packages with full di-
 rections and formula for same on every out-side wrapper for
 25 cents per package, and we take pleasure in stating that we
 have sold over three hundred packages within the past four
 months.

Thanking their customers for past favors and with an aim to
 please, we hope to solicit a continuance of the same in the
 future.

Respectfully,

FOWLER & WYATT.



Get your Clothing Made to Order and buy your Cloth and Furnishing Goods of

R. O. WRIGHT,

PLYMOUTH, N. H.

MRS. W. M. PRESSEY & Co.,

Have recently opened a new establishment for

FASHIONABLE

DRESS MAKING AND MILLINERY

Opp. Congregational Church, Plymouth, N. H.,

Where may be found the Latest Styles and Newest Novelties.

A Large Variety of Fancy Goods for sale Low.

A Choice Collection of

PURE CONFECTIONERY

ALWAYS ON HAND.

☞ The sale of HAIR GOODS a Specialty. ☛

Plain sewing of all kinds done with Neatness and Despatch.

Mrs. H. B. Perkins, who has charge of the dress making, will be pleased to welcome her old friends and patrons.

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TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

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Cash in treasury, March 1, 1881,	\$2,389 01
Received of C. W. Pulsifer, lease money,	5 00
“ Lyman Lucas, “	3 00
“ J. M. Blaisdell, “	6 00
“ A. Robie, orders on county treasurer,	961 74
“ State treasurer, railroad tax, 1881,	85 71
“ “ savings bank tax, 1881,	431 35
“ “ literary fund tax, 1881,	112 56
“ Joseph Cook, on note,	259 16
“ Sally Luce, gave town note,	135 00
“ Mrs. C. H. Rogers, lease money,	3 00
“ timber sold,	2 43
“ I. L. Adams, collector, 1872,	37 72
“ centennial report and lumber,	75
“ Joseph Cook, collector, 1871,	34 06
“ A. Robie, “ 1875,	20 96
“ “ “ 1876,	40 00
“ “ “ 1877,	60 04
“ A. H. Cook, “ 1878-9,	691 41
“ E. J. Young, “ 1873-4,	9 95
“ E. H. Keniston, “ 1880,	1,275 13
“ “ “ 1881,	4,349 21
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Whole amount received,	\$10,953 22

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Paid lease and literary money,	\$168 00
for sheep killed by dogs,	21 50
O. F. James, plank,	5 30
Star Publishing Co., town reports,	25 00
H. H. Brown, labor on highway,	1 98
D. M. Sanborn, “	10 56
C. W. Nelson, labor and non-resident tax,	5 00
A. H. Taylor, labor on highway,	2 64
Mary A. Heath, balance on note,	41 22
State maps and fixtures,	95 25
M. E. Rotfe, paid note,	243 75
E. H. Keniston, collector, 1880,	75 00
D. W. Ames, labor on highway,	5 00
Nelson & Little, shingling town house,	59 50
Frank Crowell, bounty on six hawks,	1 20
C. G. Sanborn, labor on bridge,	30 00
J. M. Wallace, labor on highway,	24 37
Lyman Lucas “	5 80
John R. Foss, iron work for bridges,	32 95
Perambulating town lines,	9 25
A. G. Smythe, county tax,	1,279 46
Eliza Glines, paid note,	56 18
M. A. Heath, end. on note,	25 00
R. D. Page, labor on highway,	1 80
D. S. Perkins, erecting railing,	3 50
J. R. Foss, for plank,	2 70
Darius Moulton, work on bridge,	30 00
Daniel Brown, non-resident tax,	1 92
E. Dole, labor, books and hawk bounty,	4 70
M. Spokesfield, labor on bridge,	10 85
Daniel Brown, damage to plow,	3 00
Wm. Morrill, paid note,	314 17
J. W. Morrison, “	334 17
J. W. Huzzey, labor on highway,	8 00
Joseph Cook, paid note,	259 16
D. G. Southmayd, labor on highway,	6 35
Elizabeth Blaisdell, end. on note,	600 00
Jacob Avery, “	30 00

Paid Solon A. Carter, state tax,	\$760 00
D. C. Hill, labor on highway,	8 40
S. Avery, water trough and attending court,	4 50
C. W. Pulsifer, water trough,	1 50
Hardy Merrill, “	3 00
W. Dearborn, “	3 00
Sally Luce, paid note,	152 14
F. E. Morse, plank bill,	12 72
Al L. Adams, highway labor,	6 25
E. H. Sanborn, abatement, horse lost,	1 00
P. Downing, labor on highway,	2 40
S. S. Mitchell, non-resident tax,	5 83
A. H. Cook, non-resident tax and plank,	7 41
W. H. Berry, labor on highway,	25 81
W. P. Garland, “	6 32
E. Willey, labor and non-resident tax,	23 90
G. W. Coffin, labor on highway,	5 90
E. F. Emerson, abatement over tax,	1 33
W. P. Garland, abatement, cow lost,	33
A. Keniston, water trough,	2 00
A. J. Lovitt, abatement, cow lost,	37
H. G. Coffin, land damage,	6 20
C. C. Taylor, for lumber,	9 00
S. J. Sanborn, labor on highway,	18 38
Allen Willey, water trough,	3 00
John Ames, working non-resident tax,	4 26
B. F. Stickney, abatement, non-resident tax,	10 45
Wellman Cook, abatement on oxen,	37
J. M. Wallace, labor on highway,	16 64
S. C. Willey, abatement,	2 27
O. N. & O. F. James, oak lumber,	12 00
G. C. Taylor, abatement, horse lost,	37
R. D. Page, labor on highway,	2 80
B. J. Philbrick, lighting village bridge,	13 05
S. J. Philbrick, services as town clerk,	19 00
G. W. Little, for board, non-resident tax and plank,	37 95
J. S. Bump, labor on bridge,	32 75
E. Mitchell, abatement and examining bridges,	3 53
A. Robie, lumber and abatement,	3 50

Paid H. L. Clark, abatement on sheep,	\$0 37
J. M. Blaisdell, abatement, cow lost,	45
J. S. Bump, non-resident tax,	8 22
J. C. Nelson, for lumber,	5 90
E. H. Keniston, non-resident tax,	14 88
T. P. Clark, abatement on taxes,	77
Wm. S. Bickford, care town house,	7 75
C. H. Kimball, for blanks,	1 00
G. W. Merrill, lumber bill,	70 09
J. W. Morrison, water trough,	1 00
G. S. Bartlett, " "	1 50
Quincy Blakely, services as school committee,	50 00
S. T. Page, labor on highway,	6 00
Jos. Bronsett, abatement, cow lost,	55
C. B. Caldon, labor and non-resident tax,	14 61
A. Robie, lumber and labor,	31 96
A. H. Cook, abatements, 1878-9,	103 41
A. Robie, services in part as collector, 1875,	8 00
A. Robie, abatement on taxes, 1875,	36 65
I. L. Adams, abatement on taxes, 1872,	32 94
Jos. Cook, " 1871,	19 06
E. H. Keniston, highway labor,	5 16
E. Dole, services as selectman,	60 00
G. S. Bartlett, as treasurer,	35 00
J. R. Foss, as selectman,	50 75
E. Dole, attendance at court,	8 00
A. Robie, services as overseer of poor,	55 00
M. Spokesfield, services as selectman,	43 00
D. Ames and S. E. Marston, labor on highway,	6 00
S. H. Dow, abatement, ox lost,	92
" " lumber and highway tax,	8 76
E. J. Young, abatements, 1873-4,	4 95
D. B. Keniston, services as auditor,	1 50
T. J. Sanborn, " "	1 50
C. A. Webster, over tax,	7 66
E. H. Keniston, abatement, 1880,	9 65
" " 1881,	9 53
A. Robie, support of poor,	935 00
D. B. Pulsifer, school money, district No. 1,	53 73

Paid Davis B. Keniston,	"	"	2,	\$154 62
J. H. Plummer,	"	"	3,	139 00
Thos. J. Sanborn,	"	"	4,	131 77
"	money undrawn, 1880,	"		75 33
S. S. Mitchell, school money, district No. 5,				62 00
E. E. Coffin,	"	"	6,	86 42
Moses W. Merrill,	"	"	7,	66 07
Frank A. Smith,	"	"	8,	77 86
"	money undrawn, 1880,	"		16 62
J. C. Blair, school money, district No. 9,				87 07
E. H. Keniston,	"	"	10,	55 75
James E. Bump,	"	"	11,	63 38
Nathan Pierce,	"	"	12,	93 95
E. M. Smith,	"	"	13,	43 67
Mrs. C. H. Rogers,	"	"	14,	55 60
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				8,184 29
Cash in treasury,				2,769 03
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				\$10,953 32

G. S. BARTLETT, *Treasurer.*

ERASTUS DOLE,
JOHN R. FOSS,
MARK SPOKESFIELD,
Selectmen of Campton.

Having examined the foregoing accounts, we find them correctly cast and the charges properly vouched.

D. B. KENISTON,
T. J. SANBORN,
Auditors.

Campton, March 1, 1882.

INDEBTEDNESS OF THE TOWN.

Notes and interest,	\$17,160 41
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RESOURCES OF THE TOWN.

Uncollected taxes for 1871,	\$30 19	
“ 1876,	49 32	
“ 1877,	85 54	
“ 1878-9,	1,004 43	
“ 1880,	34 45	
“ 1881,	2,515 87	
Town notes,	319 56	
Due from county,	375 86	
Money in hand, overseer of poor,	85 86	
Cash in treasury,	2,769 03	
	<u> </u>	\$7,270 11
Leaving the indebtedness of the town,		<u>\$9,890 30</u>



SCHOOL MONEY FOR 1881.

Paid district No. 1,	\$53 73
“ 2,	154 62
“ 3,	139 00
“ 4,	131 77
“ 5,	62 00

Paid district No. 6,	\$86 42
“ 7,	66 07
“ 8,	77 86
“ 9,	87 07
“ 10,	55 75
“ 11,	63 38
“ 12,	93 95
“ 13,	43 67
“ 14,	55 60
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	\$1,170 89



SCHOOL MONEY UNDRAWN.

District No. 3,	\$29 11
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REPORT OF THE OVERSEER OF THE POOR.

*Town of Campton in account with Archie Rrbie, Overseer of
the Poor.*

1881.	CR.
By balance of last year's account,	\$85 05
Received of town treasurer,	935 00
Order county treasurer,	961 74
Received of New Hampton,	59 00
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	\$2,040 79

1881.	DR.
Paid A. B. Fisher to March 28,	\$9 00
Dr. J. Lance for A. B. Fisher,	1 50
Peabody Palmer and wife,	10 00
E. F. Emerson for coffin, E. D.,	10 00
S. J. Philbrick, ex. records,	50
Elmira Palmer,	9 50
Luther Webber and wife,	18 00
John Stevens,	13 50
Salome Hanscom,	9 00
George A. Avery,	6 00
Naomi Percival,	9 00
Edson Hutchins,	6 75
Peabody Palmer and wife,	12 50
Mrs. M. B. Avery,	36 46
Samuel Jacobs and wife,	13 47
Elliott D. Hall, for Gilpatric girl,	9 00
Kate B. Hunt child,	9 00

Paid Dr. A. D. Muchmore, for S. Jacobs,	\$2 50
Levi Farmer,	10 50
Eunice Thompson,	21 00
A. B. Fisher,	11 25
Henry H. Willey,	19 50
County commission order,	457 51
I. L. Adams,	1 00
Peabody Palmer and wife,	12 50
A. B. Fisher,	11 25
Burleigh & Adams, afft.,	50
L. G. Smith, statements,	1 00
A. B. Fisher,	9 00
Peabody Palmer,	10 00
A. B. Fisher,	10 00
Peabody Palmer and wife,	10 00
Henry H. Willey,	19 50
A. B. Fisher,	10 00
Peabody Palmer and wife,	10 00
Mary Hutchins,	25
A. Robie, for money paid,	3 50
A. B. Fisher,	2 00
A. B. Fisher,	12 50
Peabody Palmer and wife,	12 50
Ruth J. Morse,	15 00
Kate B. Plaisted,	22 00
Henry H. Willey, State Reform school,	19 50
A. B. Fisher,	10 00
Peabody Palmer and wife,	10 00
Samuel Jacobs and wife,	1 43
Benjamin Coleman,	19 70
Mrs. M. E. Avery, in full,	11 49
County order to town treasurer,	504 23
Peabody Palmer and wife,	6 25
Salome Hanscom,	26 00
Levi Farmer,	20 25
Leroy G. Smith, statements,	1 50
C. W. Cook, affts. of N. P. Cotton,	50
G. S. Bartlett, afft., of Mary J. Johnson,	50
Miron J. Hazeltine, afft. of Joseph Streeter,	75

Paid A. B. Fisher,	\$12 50
S. J. Philbrick, affs.,	2 50
Nathan P. Cotton family,	7 90
Joseph Streeter,	11 79
A. B. Fisher, by H. Hodgman,	4 50
Henry H. Willey,	13 00
1882.	
A. B. Fisher,	10 00
H. E. Ames for N. Cotton,	2 00
A. B. Fisher,	12 00
A. B. Fisher,	2 50
Cummings Annis,	12 75
Elliot Hall, for Eliza Gilpatric,	12 75
Dr. J. Lance, N. P. Cotton,	11 88
C. W. Cook, " "	14 25
C. W. Cook, " "	54 69
Salome Hanscom,	17 00
Benjamin Coleman,	15 78
Kate B. Hunt's child,	15 00
Luther Webber and wife,	58 50
Ruth J. Morse,	15 00
John S. Tufts for N. P. Cotton,	3 05
John S. Tufts,	5 40
Drs. Samborn & Burns for Webber and wife,	38 40
Mary Hutchins, N. P. Cotton,	19 50
Elmira Palmer,	12 75
A. B. Fisher, to Feb. 27,	12 00
Levi Farmer,	12 75
Naomi Percival,	12 75
A. Robie to New Hampton and Expenses,	5 25
Joseph Streeter,	5 00
Erastus Dole,	2 50
Dr. W. A. Smith for A. B. Fisher,	2 25
Dr. W. A. Smith for J. Streeter,	7 00
To cash on hand,	85 86
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	\$2,040 79

ARCHIE ROBIE,
Overseer of Poor.

Having examined the foregoing accounts, we find them correct, and the charges properly vouched.

D. B. KENISTON,
T. J. SANBORN.
Auditors.

Campton, March 1, 1882.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF CEMETERY.

Town of Campton in account with George H. Little, Superintendent of Cemetery.

1881.	DR.
To one-half day's work,	\$0 75
One day's work with team,	3 00
One day's work,	1 50
One-half day's work,	75
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	\$6 00
	CR.
By cash from last year,	\$6 49
	6 00
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Cash on hand,	\$0 49
Amount due on lots sold.	
Elkins Willey,	\$9 54
Isaac McCausland,	5 00
Philip Keniston,	5 00
F. L. Moulton,	5 00
James Nelson,	5 00
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Total amount due on lots sold,	\$29 54

GEORGE H. LITTLE, *Supt.*

Having examined the foregoing account, we find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

D. B. KENISTON,
T. J. SANBORN,
Auditors.

Campton, March 1, 1882.

NUMBER BURIED AND ENTOMBED IN CEMETERY.

Age from 1 year to 5,		1
5	10,	1
10	15,	2
15	20,	2
20	25,	1
25	30,	1
30	35,	0
35	40,	0
40	45,	1
45	50,	1
50	55,	1
55	60,	0
60	65,	0
65	70,	2
70	75,	2
75	80,	5
80	85,	3
85	90,	1
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J. C. BLAIR, *Sexton*.

Campton, March 1, 1882.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

FELLOW CITIZENS:

I am happy to be able to report so favorably of the schools in town during the year. There has been a school in each district, varying in length, from 10 to 29 weeks. General average for the year, 18.37 weeks. The whole number of different scholars enrolled, 4 years of age and upwards, attending school not less than two weeks, 263; all of whom have attended to reading and spelling. The number of children in town, between the ages of 5 and 15, as reported by the selectmen, April 1881, 106 boys, 81 girls. We have had several scholars from other towns; and a goodly number over 15 years of age; and some under 5 years. Thirty-three scholars are reported as not having been absent or tardy a single half day during the school year: in district No. 2, one; No. 4, two; No. 5, eight; No. 7, three; No. 10, nine; No. 11, four; No. 12, four and No. 13, two. A much larger number are reported not absent or tardy for a single term. All of the 17 teachers had taught before; six of them have been members of a Normal school. It would be a very wise thing to do, for young persons of limited experience in teaching, or none at all, proposing to teach in our public schools, to avail themselves of the advantages of our State Normal School.

Hon. J. W. Patterson, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, paid us a visit in November, examined two schools and gave

a very instructive address to a select and appreciative audience, at the Congregational vestry.

The S. S. committee and selectmen are, by law, authorized and empowered to purchase for use, in the common schools, so many copies of the map of New Hampshire, as they may deem best, not exceeding one copy for each school, to be paid for out of any money appropriated for school purposes. In accordance with this law, a map of New Hampshire, recently published by J. A. Cline & Co., with self adjusting fixtures, has been placed in each of 13 school houses in town, also a spring fixture furnished district No. 14—they had previously purchased the map. The interest manifested in this map, by both teachers and scholars, proves that the money, \$88.50, was a good investment. It is hoped that the prudential committees will carefully look after these maps, when the schools are not in session, that they be properly preserved. It is better that they be kept rolled up, when not in use, as the light fades them.

Our schools have not, by any means, attained to the highest point of excellence, and still none of them has been a failure. It is expected that in each district there will be a school for the largest number of weeks possible; that accurate and thorough instruction will be given in all the common branches, and in some of the higher; that scholars will be made to learn, whether they will or not; made to deport themselves with perfect propriety while at school, no matter how they are allowed to behave at home; that each pupil will receive the personal attention of the teacher at all times when desired; that every arrangement of the school shall be perfectly satisfactory to every patron. To secure all this we have less than \$1500 in money, 14 prudential committees, 1 superintending committee, 263 scholars, perhaps as many parents, and a number, larger or smaller outside, co-operating. With all these facilities and helps, why should not our most sanguine expectations be realized?

We need teachers with better education, who are better disci-

plinarrians, with better methods of teaching, with a truer conception of the dignity of their position, the value of their work, and their own personal responsibility. John Bright says, "I think the influence of a good man or a good woman, teaching ten or twelve children, is an influence for this world and for the world to come, that no man can measure and the responsibility of which no man can calculate." We need a more determined purpose on the part of prudential committees to select the best teachers, and more wisdom in selecting; better discipline in the family where the pupils are so large a portion of the time, even term time; more sympathy on the part of patrons for teachers. How little do patrons realize the labor and anxiety, the weary days and wakeful nights, that come of undertaking to train the intellects, the consciences, and the hearts of a large number of children of such varied temperaments and capacities! When we remember how perseveringly and conscientiously teachers labor to overcome the indifference, the dullness and the waywardness of their pupils, and how they bear and forbear with them, ought we not remember to give them our sympathy and hearty co-operation to sustain them in their noble undertaking? What class of society are more in need of, or better deserve, sympathy and respect, than teachers of our public schools? Let there be great pains taken and much wisdom exercised, in selecting teachers, and then withhold not your confidence in their ability, judgment and faithfulness, and give a deaf ear to childish criticisms and complaints, and do not hinder the success of the school and defeat the very purpose you have in view by attempting to control the details of discipline and direct the manner and order of studies.

Your committee is subjected to great inconvenience in making his report to the State Superintendent, by the failure of some teachers to properly fill out their registers. Every question in the register should be answered, every blank filled out. A blank, or "I don't know," is not satisfactory. Only a few teachers have so met the requirements of the law in filling out their registers as

to be entitled to their wages. But I suppose they have all been paid. I recommend that the Superintending School Committee be empowered to pay the teachers, so as to insure obedience to the law. In which case no teacher would expect his wages until this law was complied with. So much of the school money as is required for repairs, fuel, board, etc., could be paid, as now, to the prudential committees, but that for teachers' wages could be paid the S. S. Committee.

In these later years in many of our districts, custom has given Saturdays for the benefit of the scholars, not as a source of revenue for the teachers. When a school commences, say Wednesday, and ten weeks from the next day has eleven weeks school reported, using Saturdays to gain time, it is evident that the teacher is more favored than the scholars.

One teacher reports,

"There might a more attractive site be found,
A more attractive building grace the ground,
Did pluck and public spirit more abound."

More than one district may think, that means us.

DISTRICT No. 1.

D. B. Pulsifer, Prudential Committee.

One term, 18 weeks, 8 scholars, now being taught by Miss Louise V. George, of Plymouth, an experienced teacher of ability and is giving general satisfaction, and the scholars are making creditable advance. No. attending to penmanship 7, arithmetic 8, geography 6, grammar 4, history 2, book keeping 3, algebra 1. The wood and board contributed.

DISTRICT No. 2.

D. B. Keniston, Prudential Committee.

Miss M. H. Coombs, of Fisherville, teacher both terms. Her scholarship is good, she has had long experience in teaching, is

accurate and persevering and a good disciplinarian, the advantages of all which were evident at the examination of the school; and still there was some complaint. Whole number of weeks 20.8, scholars 33, average daily attendance 19, attending to penmanship 15, arithmetic 23, geography 11, grammar 8, history 3, composition 6, algebra 3, philosophy 1.

DISTRICT No. 3.

J. H. Plummer, Prudential Committee.

Miss Lizzie P. Whittemore of Bridgewater, teacher; three terms, in all 23.6 weeks; scholars 39: average attendance 25; in penmanship 29, arithmetic 30, geography 19, grammar 4, composition 7, physiology 3, book-keeping, 2. Miss W. is a good teacher, of considerable experience, earnest and faithful in her work. A little more animation and cheerfulness on her part, and a more hearty co-operation with her on the part of her scholars, would, probably, have secured a higher degree of success, and I doubt not, have been more satisfactory to both parties. There is now a private school in this district in the care of Miron J. Hazeltine.

DISTRICT No. 4.

T. J. Sanborn, Prudential Committee.

Miss Cora L. Page teacher, summer and fall terms, 17 weeks, No. of scholars 23 and 35: average daily attendance 21 and 30; in penmanship 28, arithmetic 30, geography 23, grammar 8, history 10. Miss P. has excellent attainments and is an able teacher. Summer term highly satisfactory. In the fall term the scholars took advantage of her good nature and were not as orderly as they ought to have been. Fremont Goodwin of Gilmanton Iron Works, teacher in the winter term; 12 weeks; 29 scholars: average daily attendance 13; in penmanship 27, arithmetic 26, geography 20, grammar 10; physiology 1, book-keeping 1, algebra 1. Mr. G. is a well qualified teacher; instruction of a high order,

discipline excellent, as was evident by the promptness and accuracy of the pupils in recitation and their good behavior generally.

DISTRICT No. 5.

S. S. Mitchell, Prudential Committee.

Miss Ellen W. Smith of Holderness, teacher; first term 7.8 weeks, 11 pupils: average daily attendance 11; in penmanship 9, arithmetic 10, geography 2, grammar 3, history 3, composition 3, vocal music 11, algebra 1. Miss S. maintained her previous good reputation as a successful teacher. Winter term taught by Miss Winnie R. Dow, an experienced teacher. When visited at the first of the term, the school appeared well. I was not notified as to the closing of the school. It is understood to have been quite satisfactory. No. of weeks 8; 10 pupils: average daily attendance 9.6; attending to penmanship 10, arithmetic 9, geography 5, grammar 3, composition 3, algebra 1. Fuel contributed.

DISTRICT No. 6.

Edward E. Coffin, Prudential Committee.

Miss Emma F. Steyens of Rumney teacher first term, 7 weeks; 13 pupils: average daily attendance 12; in penmanship 8, arithmetic 10, geography 6, grammar 1, history 2. Miss S. is a successful teacher; her method of conducting recitation is calculated to lead scholars to think; good order prevailed; a profitable school. Winter term Miss Etta E. Foster of Wentworth teacher. 10.5 weeks; 18 pupils: in penmanship 12, arithmetic 14, geography 8, history 2, book-keeping 1. School orderly and with fair success.

DISTRICT No. 7.

Moses Merrill, Prudential Committee.

One term 14 weeks instructed by Miss Ellen W. Smith. 6 pupils: average daily attendance 5.12; in penmanship 6, arith-

metic 5, geography 3, grammar 2, history 2, book-keeping 2. Scholars made good progress as they had in previous terms with the same teacher.

DISTRICT NO. 8.

Frank A. Smith, Prudential Committee.

Summer term 8 weeks conducted by Miss Eliza Flanders of Plymouth, an old teacher who is very earnest in imparting instruction, but pays little attention to government. 16 scholars: average daily attendance 10; in arithmetic 13, geography 12, grammar 6. Miss Sarah R. Ash of Plymouth found it no easy task the winter term, to bring the school into proper subjection and to secure so commendable a degree of proficiency in their studies. 13 weeks; 18 pupils: average daily attendance 16; in penmanship 17, arithmetic 16, geography 9, grammar 5. Fuel contributed.

DISTRICT NO. 9.

J. C. Blair, Prudential Committee.

Summer term 10 weeks, Miss Gertrude McCausland teacher, who continued to give excellent satisfaction. 12 scholars: average daily attendance 10; in penmanship 9, geography 5, grammar 6, history 1. Miss Ambrosia A. Shaw of Hill taught the winter term, 10 weeks; an enthusiastic, enterprising, faithful teacher. She secured the confidence of her pupils who were cheerfully obedient and performed much good work. School a success. 13 scholars: average daily attendance 10, in penmanship 13, arithmetic 10, geography 5, grammar 10, history 4, book-keeping 4.

DISTRICT NO. 10.

Erastus H. Keniston, Prudential Committee.

A quiet, well ordered school, scholars very much endeared to their teacher. Nine out of the 18 pupils not tardy nor absent a single half day during the school year. Both terms, 17

weeks, taught by Miss N. Ella Wilkinson of Plymouth with great acceptance. School prolonged a week by contributions. Average daily attendance 16; in penmanship 17, arithmetic 17, geography 7, grammar 7, history 1.

DISTRICT No. 11.

James E. Bump, Prudential Committee.

One term, 15 weeks, in charge of Miss S. Nellie Stickney, a young, enterprising teacher, who succeeded in awakening a good degree of interest in her pupils for their studies. Creditable progress made. 16 scholars: average daily attendance 10; in penmanship 8, arithmetic 16, geography 10, grammar 1. This district reports \$63 raised for repairs.

DISTRICT No. 12.

Nathan Pierce, Prudential Committee.

One term, 14 weeks, taught by Miron J. Hazeltine of Thornton, who has had an experience in teaching of more than a quarter of a century, is abundantly qualified, enthusiastic in teaching, and fruitful in expedients. Patrons and pupils highly satisfied with the results attained. 19 scholars: average daily attendance 15; in penmanship 14, arithmetic 14, geography 9, grammar 11, composition 6, physiology 1, book-keeping 1, algebra 1, physical geography 1.

DISTRICT No. 13.

Eustace M. Smith, Prudential Committee.

Miss Sara S. Huckins of Holderness teacher. 1 term; 9.8 weeks; 7 pupils: average daily attendance 6; in penmanship 5, arithmetic 4, geography 2. School quiet; the examination sustained with credit teacher and scholars.

DISTRICT No. 14.

Mrs. J. W. Rogers, Prudential Committee.

Two terms; total 20 weeks; 14 scholars: average daily attendance 7; in penmanship 10, arithmetic 11, geography 8, book-keeping 3, physiology 1, history 1, philosophy 1. This school continues to be taught with great satisfaction to all parties by Mrs. Mattie Wallace, I do not know but she has taken a life lease of it.

Respectfully submitted,

QUINCY BLAKELY,

Superintending School Committee.

Campton, N. H., Feb. 28, 1882.

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